



Finland: Lesson 2

A Case Study using Hiski and Digitized Online Church Records

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Johanna Jacobsdotter was born December 14, 1807. Using some of the online tools presented in Finland: Lesson 1, we will find the names of the parish and village where she was born. We will then follow her family through to Johanna Jacobsdotter's marriage.

Source	Learned
<p>1807 Johanna Jacobsdotter was born December 14th in Finland. Find the name of the small place where Johanna was born in Finland; and the names of her parents. Use Hiski. http://hiski.genealogia.fi/historia/indexe.htm</p> <p>1807 Confirm Hiski information of Johanna's birth. Do you learn any additional information? Pomarkku Parish, Syntyneet ja kastetut, page 30, Image 17. https://digihakemisto.appspot.com</p>	<p>Pomarkku Parish; Johanna was born in Riutta Village. Her father was Jakola nbg. Jac: Jac:ss:. Her mother was Hedv: Joh: dr: Other information: Christening 15 December 1807; mother's age 23 years.</p> <p>Jacola nybyggaren Jacob Jacobsson; Hedvig Johansdotter are the names of Johanna's parents. Other information in Hiski is confirmed. Witnesses are also listed as well as the christening minister.</p>
<p>1809 (During this year Finland was ceded to the Russian Empire). Who were the members of Johanna's family two years after her birth? Pomarkku Parish, Rippikirjat 1804-1809 page 128, Digihakemisto image 133 https://digihakemisto.appspot.com</p>	<p>Johanna was the only child listed to her parents during this period of time. Her father is designated as a torpare. The birthdates of Johanna's parents are given; Jacob Jacobsson 24 November 1782; Hedvig Johansdotter 10 June 1784. The village location is given as Längelmäki or Rjutta.</p>
<p>1810-1816 What were changes in the household during these years? Pomarkku Parish, Rippikirjat 1810-1816 page 84, Digihakemisto image 93 https://digihakemisto.appspot.com</p>	<p>Nybygg Jacob Jacobsson and Hedvig Johansdotter added three children to the family in addition to Johanna: Jacob Jacobsson 17 July 1810; Matths Jacobsson 5 September 1811; Juliana Jacobsdotter 18 November 1814. Son Jacob Jacobsson died 6 March 1812.</p>

	Jacob Jacobsson's mother, Juliana Michelsdotter, and Juliana's son, Isaac Jacobsson, and daughter, Anna Maria Jacobsdotter, also live in the household. Birth dates are given for these individuals. The death date of Juliana is listed.
1812 How old was son Jacob Jacobsson when he died? When was his burial? Pomarkku Parish, Kuolleet ja haudatut 1804-1873, page 12, Digihakemisto image 7 https://digihakemisto.appspot.com	Jacob was 1 year, 7 months, and 19 days old when he died. His death date is confirmed as March 6, 1812 and his burial was March 8, 1812.
1817-1823 The size of Johanna's family has increased during these years. Two sisters of Johanna die. What are their names and their death dates? Pomarkku Parish, Rippikirjat 1817-1832, page 127, Digihakemisto image 130 https://digihakemisto.appspot.com	Their names are Juliana, death 13 May 1818; and Maja, death 5 June 1818,
1826-1832 Something changes for Johanna during the above years. What is it? Pomarkku Parish, Rippikirjat 1817-1832, page 128, Digihakemisto image 131 https://digihakemisto.appspot.com	Marriage banns are announced. Johanna moves to Mattila.
1827 Who did Johanna marry? What was the date of their marriage? Pomarkku Parish, Vihityt 1804-1873, page 28, Digihakemisto image 15 https://digihakemisto.appspot.com	Johanna marries Land Bonden Michel Mathsson Mattila. They married 10 June 1827.